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DoD identifies 3rd Infantry Division casualties

FORT STEWART, Ga. (May 29, 2007) – The Department of Defense announced May 25 the death of two soldiers who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom. They died May 23 of wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near their unit in Ramadi, Iraq. They were assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team.

Killed were:

Staff Sgt. Steve Butcher Jr., 27, of Penfield, N.Y. He died in Ramadi, Iraq. Butcher was an infantryman who joined the Army in Jan. 2002. He arrived at Fort Stewart in June 2002.

Pfc. Daniel P. Cagle, 22, of Carson, Calif. He died in Balad, Iraq. Cagle was an infantryman who joined the Army in Nov. 2005. He arrived at Fort Stewart in March 2006.